



## Newsletter January 2022

### The Month of January

Staff and learners cannot believe that we have already been back for a month. The weather has been quite dreary outside but that has not stopped us from learning and gaining new skills within the comfort of our classrooms. The photo's below are an indication of the love of learning that our learners are showing. Please take a look on the website for your child's Curriculum Letter so that you know what they are learning in class this term.

We thank all parents who logged onto Zoom to discuss their children's learning and hope that you now feel better informed as to the progress your child is making and how best we can work together to ensure that their needs are met.



This month's cases of Covid-19 in school have been much higher than previously and this has provided a number of challenges. However, everyone has pulled together and we have overcome these challenges. LCC have been a great help and I appreciate all the parents' understanding and co-operation. The staff have been amazing, made it all work and I feel very grateful that we managed to keep all but one classroom open. Learners have been adaptable and continued happily with their learning. Cases have started to drop and hopefully this continues next month. Let's all stay extra vigilant.

### The Learner Council

This month all the learners had the opportunity to put themselves forward to be nominated to be a member of the learner council. They were elected democratically and these are learners who are representing their class:

<u>Learner</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Learner</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Learner</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Learner</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Learner</u>	<u>Year</u>
Hajera A	3	Yusuf A	4	Imaan N	4	Abdullah M	5	Ali M	6
Subhaan H	3	Alia N	4	Abubaker J	5	Ahila B	5	Nozhan R	6
Z Ali	3	Subhaan A	4	Aijat K	5	Laiba G	6	Kaif M	6
A Khan	3	Anbia K	4	Abdul R	5	Abdul RA	6		
Hiba A	3	Ismail M	4	Hawwa M	5	Amelia Y	6		

Led by Miss Whittle and Mr Heseldon their first task is to look at the values that the Lomeshaye Community want to live by. Their first actions have been to get the views of their classes and to share these with each other. Following on from this will be a sharing of the values with the whole school community. 2 of the values that they wanted the school to adhere to straight away were demonstrating good manners and everyone taking a pride in how they look and how they present their learning in the books.

Please be reminded that learners must come to school wearing the correct uniform both for every day and on PE days. Girls must have their hair tied up and only stud earrings should be worn but taken them out or placing a plaster over them on PE days.

## Prefects

We are also proud to announce our year 6 prefects for this year. They are:

Amelia
Inaaya
Aadil
Hafsa
Murtaza

Ameera
Fatima
Abubaker
Natasha

The Prefects have the important role of supporting learners at key times during the day as well as reminding learners about the school rules.



## The School Library

Our English Leads Mrs Fallows and Mrs Gidley are working really hard to build a Library that will be full of new and exciting books to read. We are moving towards introducing Accelerated Reader into School. This is a reading system that encourages a love of reading as well as building on and developing comprehension skills. All the library books need to have a code assigned to them so that the learners can do a quiz based on the book. This is a long process and we are grateful to the parents who have volunteered to support the school in completing this task. It means that hopefully the learners will soon be able to have access to amazing books.

While we are working on creating this amazing reading space please can you make sure that your children are reading their reading books at home. Each class is also currently reading a class book which is being read to them by their class teacher. Ask your child about the books they are reading. At present classes are reading the following class Novels:

<b>3 Elm</b>	<b>3 Maple</b>	<b>3 Oak</b>
Midnight for Charlie Bone	Midnight for Charlie Bone	Famous Five
<b>4 Chestnut</b>	<b>4 Willow</b>	<b>4 Sycamore</b>
How to Train your Dragon	How to Train your Dragon	Harr Potter
<b>5 Larch</b>	<b>5 cedar</b>	<b>5 Beech</b>
Aquilla	Aquilla	Aquilla
<b>6 Ash</b>	<b>6 Elder</b>	<b>6 Rowan</b>
The Wizard of Oz	The Wizard of Oz	The Wizard of Oz



## Celebration Time

Mr Heseldon our Assistant Head and maths lead has been working with Miss Bailey the maths lead at Marsden to encourage learners from both schools to develop their times tables. A recent times table Rockstar competition which was held between both schools saw over 400 thousand correct answers given in 5 days and over 400 learners taking part! Mr Heseldon says "will we go even bigger and better next time". The results are as follows:

School average / user		School score
Position (Out of 2 schools taking part)		School score
1	Lomeshaye Junior School	343,762
2	Marsden Community Primary School, Nelson	90,959

Well done to all who took part.

## Winter Weather and Snow Days

Please be reminded that the learners will go outside even on cold days for play and lunchtimes. Please send your child into school with a warm winter coat, gloves, hat and a scarf as appropriate. Appropriate footwear should also be worn. All pieces of clothing must be labelled with your child's name and surname. Learners are expected to log onto seesaw for remote learning if school is closed due to snow.

## Attendance Reminder

As parents you will be aware that school attendance is compulsory and it is important that you inform us if your child is going to be absent and for what reason.

I know that the past 18 months have been difficult and even more so for families who have family in other countries but I urge you not to take your children out of school for an extended period of time to visit abroad. Our children have already missed out on the experience of being in school during periods of Lockdown and isolation – any additional time taken will result in your child falling even further behind and perhaps never being able to catch up.

Teachers are working very hard to assess all learners and to teach according to the needs of the class within a given time frame. If your child is absent because you have taken them out of school the teacher will not have time to teach them what they have missed as the class will have moved on in their learning.



## Finally

We thank you for your ongoing support!